Summary of feedback from Tuxford Future Development Questionnaires

Overall

The questionnaires were sent to residents in Tuxford and were available on the Council's web pages and at the Council's office. 77 completed questionnaires were returned.

1. Open Market Housing

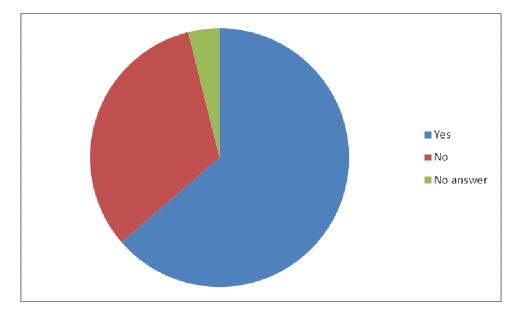
Respondents were asked to mark down which type of housing they believed the village needed in the future. The answer was multiple choice and people were not limited to only providing one answer. The results are shown below:

Answer	1 bedroom	2 bedrooms	3 bedrooms	4 bedrooms	5 bedrooms	Total
Detached	1	12	21	12	6	52
Semi detached	7	19	34	4	1	65
Bungalow	8	26	14	6		54
Terraced	5	15	12	1		33
Flats	15	19	3			37
Total	36	91	84	23	7	241

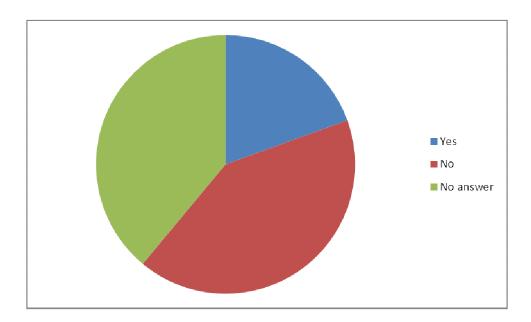
The results show there is a need for a mixture of housing in the area. Residents favoured 2 and 3 bedroomed properties (largely centred on detached properties, semidetached properties and bungalows). **Flats and Terraced** housing were the least popular option with 29% of respondents favouring them.

2. Affordable Housing

Respondents were asked to give a 'yes' or 'no' answer on whether there is a need for affordable housing in the area. The responses were as follows:



Respondents were also asked if they knew of anyone who would need affordable housing. The results are as follows:



Respondents were then asked to mark down which type of *affordable* housing they believed the village needed in the future. The answer was multiple choice and people were not limited to only providing one answer. The results are shown below:

Answer	1	2	3	4	5	Total
	bedroom	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	bedrooms	
Detached	1	4	5	1		11
Semi detached	7	8	5	1		21
Bungalow	7	12	4			23
Terraced	6	17	8			31
Flats	12	20	2			34
Total	33	61	24	2	0	120

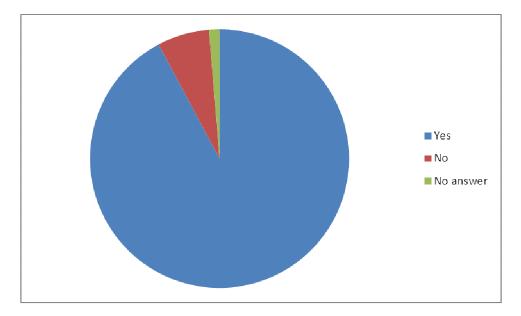
The responses came back showed that **2 bedroomed properties** were the most popular answer. **Terraces and flats** were also popular with over 54% of the responses.

Respondents were asked if they believed there should be any specialist types of housing required in the village. The answers are as follows:

Answer	Number of respondents	% of respondents
Old Persons Sheltered Accommodation	36	46.7%
Old Persons Residential Homes	12	15.6%
First time buyer	5	6.5%
Flats with gardens	1	1.3%
Old persons homes in a community format	1	1.3%
Disabled/learning difficulties accommodation	1	1.3%
Total	56	72.7%

3. Location of new development

Respondents were asked whether the Council should prioritise brownfield land for new development. The responses were as follows:



Respondents were asked what scale of future housing developments would be most appropriate and were given four options. Respondents were able to give multiple answers and the results are shown below:

Answer	Number of responses	% of responses ¹
Outside development boundary	18	19.5%
Small extensions	28	30.4%
Medium extensions	36	39.1%
Large extensions	10	10.8%
Total responses	92	100%

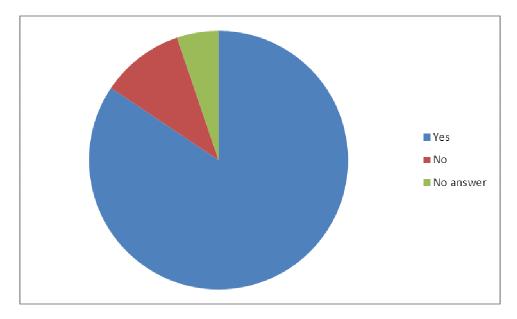
¹ This is the percentage of people who responded to the question in relation to those who returned the questionnaire (90 returned) and not in relation to those who responded to this question.

The opportunity was then given to provide details of any specific sites that should be considered for development. All sites included within the responses have already been included within the SHLAA. The responses included:

- Old village hall site
- Any infill sites within the village
- Land on corner of Markham Road and Retford Road
- Egmanton Road
- Eastfield Nurseries (details provided)
- Newcastle Arms
- Any brownfield sites in the village

4. Employment opportunities

Respondents were asked if the area needed more local employment opportunities. The results were as follows:



There was then the opportunity to expand on the type of employment opportunities within the village. The responses included

- Industries and factories
- Re-open closed shops, hotel and public house
- Small business start ups
- Distribution units and logistics companies
- Light / precision engineering
- IT. specialists
- Professional accountancy, architectural building or finance
- Self-employed opportunities
- Trades whereby the young can gain apprenticeships
- Light engineering
- Shops
- Restaurant

A further respondent stated that during this difficult time, any business offering jobs to local people would be welcomed.

5. Neighbourhood areas

Respondents were then asked if they agree with the neighbourhoods identified on the accompanying map.

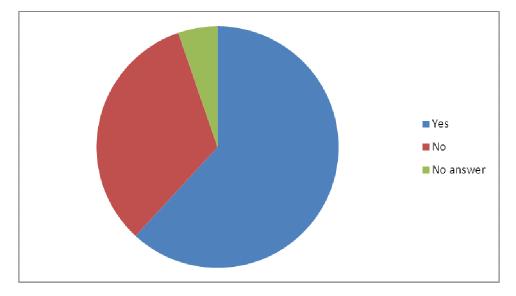
6. Community facilities

Respondents were asked to comment on whether there were any additional community facilities they like to see in the village. The results were as follows:

Answer	Number of respondents	% of respondents
New school or more places at existing school	6	4.1%
Sports pitch	27	18.8%
Play area	21	14.6%
Village hall	60	41.9%
Other		
- Swimming pool	8	5.5%
- Leisure centre/facilities	6	4.1%
- Gym	4	2.7%
- Youth club	3	2%
- Restaurant/public house	3	2%
- Cinema	1	0.6%
- Adult education	1	0.6%
- Public toilets	1	0.6%
- Large supermarket	1	0.6%
- Cricket pitch	1	0.6%
Total number of respondents who answered this question	143	100%

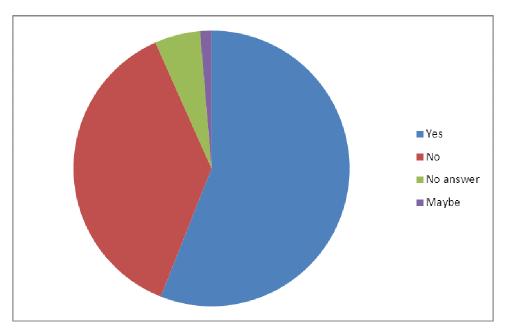
7. Renewable Energy

Respondents were asked whether they believed there to be a need for the development of localised renewable/low carbon energy facilities. The results were as follows:



A further respondent stated that they would not support wind turbines, but would support all other forms of renewable energy.

Respondents were asked whether there was a need for large-scale renewable/low carbon energy facilities within their area of the District. The results were as follows:



Two further respondents stated that they would not support wind turbines, but would support all other forms of renewable energy.

8. Local Distinctiveness

This question was aimed at finding out what local characteristics residents felt were special and needed protecting. The results were as follows:

- Centre of the settlement had been something to be proud of- is not the same now. Newcastle Arms needs to be redeveloped.
- Characterful rural settlement surrounded by open countryside
- Windmill area

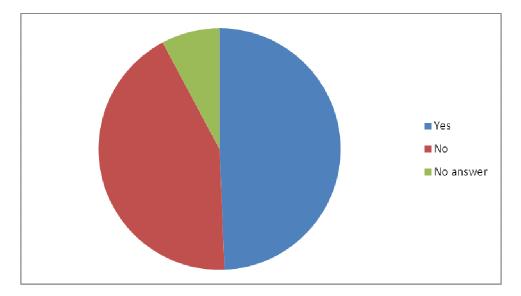
Respondents were asked what community assets they would like to see protected from future development or changes of use. These were the potential community assets:

Potential assets identified	Number of responses	% of responses
Sports pitches	18	22.5%
Village hall and grounds	16	20%
Public house	17	21.2%
Newcastle Arms	8	10%
Allotments	2	2.5%
Play area	9	11.2%
Bowling green	1	1.2%
Scout hut and land	2	2.5%
Chapel	1	1.2%
Windmill	1	1.2%
Library	3	3.7%
Post office	1	2.5%
Schools	1	2.5%
Total respondents	80	100%

Two further respondents stated that all assets should be protected.

9. Local Infrastructure and Utilities

Respondents were asked if they believed there were problems with the infrastructure and utilities within their village. The results were as follows:



Respondents were then asked to expand on the specific problems and to provide details on the locations. These were summarised and the main issues are detailed below (in order of popularity):

- Sewerage/drainage system capacity problems were reported by 16 respondents, of which these areas were identified specifically:
 - o Eldon Street
 - o Lincoln Street
 - o Newcastle Street
 - o Gilbert Avenue
 - o Lincoln Road
 - o Eldon Green area
- No gas supply (21 respondents)
- Road capacity (5 respondents)
- Pot holes on Eldon Street
- Power cuts
- More road/pavement sweepers

- No leisure centre
- Poor broadband connection (2 respondents)
- Not enough parking (3 respondents)
- Low water pressure
- Doctors surgery insufficient

10. Other opportunities

Respondents were asked what other types of development they would support within their village if someone were to apply for it. The responses were as follows:

- Leisure facilities (21 respondents) of which 5 specifically mentioned an indoor swimming pool and 1 said a gym
- Young person's facility/youth centre (6 respondents)
- Farmers market (2 respondents)
- Village hall/community centre (13 respondents)
- Park/larger play area (2 respondents)
- More retail units (9 respondents)
- Restaurants (3 respondents)
- Café (3 respondents)
- Public houses, rail link to Nottingham and Lincoln, bank, improvement to the post office facilities, library, public toilets all have been indicated once in the responses from Tuxford.

There was then the opportunity for respondents to draw our attention to any other matters. The responses that were received were as follows:

- The village needs tidying up
- Brighter street lights in the residential areas
- Support photovoltaic development but not windfarms
- Need sleeping policemen down Gilbert Avenue

- Filling petrol station
- Restore the Newcastle Arms
- Clean up and improve large play area and provide pathways direct to park
- Youngsters of the village need somewhere to go and something to do
- Methodist Church hall is in need of repair works
- Concerns raised over the amount and type of traffic going through the village
- Protect the circle of 'green belt' land on Burleigh Court
- Raised concerns over the empty buildings within the village
- Tuxford used to be a lovely village but has grown so as to be unrecognisable.